



MARYLAND Department of Health

Maryland SHIP Health Action Newsletter

Friday, Nov. 2, 2018

Event: Interventions to Reduce Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Consumption



Image: A photograph of four sugar-sweetened beverages on a table.

Thursday, Nov. 8

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs) are any liquids that are sweetened with added sugar.

Consumption of SSBs among children has been associated with poor health outcomes. Health Evidence will soon host a webinar titled, "*Effectiveness of Behavioral Interventions to Reduce the Intake of SSBs in Children and Adolescents: What's the Evidence?*" This webinar will review findings from a systematic review of the same name. The review explored the effectiveness of education and behavioral interventions to reduce SSB intake and influence health outcomes among children.

For more information about this upcoming webinar, [click here](#).

Event: Forum on Ethics and Religion in Health Care – Trauma-Informed Mental Health Care



Image: The University of Maryland, Baltimore logo.

Thursday, Nov. 8

Trauma-informed care (TIC) involves an approach to health care delivery that recognizes the destructive and long-term impact of violent experiences, abuse, and neglect on a person's physical, mental, emotional, and economic well-being. The University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Nursing will host its 5th Annual Interprofessional Forum on Ethics and Religion in Health Care with the theme, "*Exploring Mental Health from a TIC Lens*." This conference will feature a dynamic case study highlighting concepts of a TIC approach from an interprofessional perspective, examining common ethical issues that arise. This program is designed to facilitate interprofessional learning. Attendees will have the opportunity to interact in applying skills and knowledge relevant to TIC.

Continuing education credits may be available.

For more information and to register for this conference, [click here](#).

Funding Opportunity: Promoting Community Health Resources



Image: The Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (MCHRC) logo which features part of the Maryland flag.

Monday, Dec. 17

The Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (MCHRC) looks to serve as a public health incubator by providing seed funding to help start new and innovative projects in underserved areas. The MCHRC has issued its annual Call for Proposals titled, "*Promoting Community Health Resources: Supporting innovative, replicable, and sustainable projects that serve vulnerable populations and promote health equity.*" This year's grant awards will prioritize the support of three types of projects:

- Delivery of essential health services
- Address the opioid epidemic through behavioral health services
- Promote food security and address childhood and family obesity

Letters of Intent are due to the MCHRC by Tuesday, Nov. 13. Full grant proposals are due by Monday, Dec. 17.

For more information about this opportunity, [click here](#).

Webinar: Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice



Image: Photograph of a person typing on a laptop. Text reads, "webinar series."

Tuesday, Nov. 13

The National Network of Libraries of Medicine will soon host a three-part webinar series providing a comprehensive overview of evidence-based practice.

The first session will provide an introduction to evidence-based practice, including essential tools for clinical inquiry.

Part two of the webinar series will be Tuesday, Dec. 11, and will cover how to search for evidence-based practices. Part three of the series will be Tuesday, Jan. 15, and will cover how to evaluate evidence-based practice.

For more information and to register for this webinar, [click here](#).

Event: Integrating Primary and Behavioral Health Care Conference



Image: Multiple arrows converging to a single point.

Wednesday - Friday, Nov. 14 - 16

Registration is open for the National Integrating Primary and Behavioral Health Care through the Lens of Prevention conference. This conference aims to rethink the future of health care to improve population-

level outcomes. The purpose of this conference is to improve behavioral and primary health outcomes by integrating these with the science and practice of prevention across public, private, and community sectors. Presentations are curated within four learning tracks, including:

- Policy initiatives
- Clinical practice
- Administration and implementation
- Research, evaluation, and education

For more information and to register for this conference, [click here](#).

Event: Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting



Image: A wordcloud including words like, "Aging, Policy, GSA, Sciences, Health, and Scientific."

Wednesday - Sunday, Nov. 14 - 18

The Gerontological Society of America (GSA) is the oldest and largest interdisciplinary organization devoted to the advancement of gerontological research, learning, and practice. The GSA will soon host the 2018 Annual Scientific Meeting and this year's theme will be, "*The Purposes of Longer Lives*." This conference features several interdisciplinary series, including the Policy Series.

Within this series are sessions and symposia curated to generate solutions to the most pressing aging-related policy issues including:

- Women's economic security
- Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act
- Oral, hearing, and visual health
- The opioid epidemic
- The National Family Caregiver Support Program

For more information and to register for this conference, [click here](#).

Call for Abstracts: National Network of Public Health Institutes Annual Conference



Image: The National Network of Public Health Institutes logo.

Friday, Nov. 30

The National Network of Public Health Institutes is now accepting abstract submissions for the 2019 Annual Conference. This conference will highlight the critical and innovative work of public health institutes around the country. Proposed topics for presentations include:

- Preventing opioid overdose
- Connecting behavioral health and public health
- Advancing healthy aging
- Building skills of a health strategist role

Abstract submissions are due Friday, Nov. 16.

For more information and to submit an abstract, [click here](#).

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